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C O N F I D E N T I A L ABU DHABI 0291

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, TC

SUBJECT: KUWAIT CALL FOR SPECIAL OPEC MEETING TO DISCUSS DECLINE
OF DOLLAR

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM OTAIBA TOLD ME THAT DURING HIS RECENT VISIT
TO KUWAIT, ATIQUI HAD BROACHED SUBJECT OF CALLING SPECIAL OPEC
MINISTERIAL MEETING TO DISCUSS IMPACT OF DECLINING VALUE OF US
DOLLAR ON OPEC MEMBER OIL REVENUES. AFTER RETURNING, MINISTER
OF PETROLEUM RECEIVED FORMAL MESSAGE FROM OPEC SECRETARY GENERAL
ASKING FOR UAEG REACTION TO KUWAIT CALL FOR SPECIAL MEETING. OTAIBA
TOLD ME THAT IN REPLY HE SAID UAE HAS NO OBJECTION TO HAVING THIS
ITEM PLACED ON AGENDA FOR MINISTERIAL MEETINGS BEING HELD IN
PREPARATION FOR OPEC SUMMIT, BUT DID NOT BELIEVE THERE WAS NEED FOR
CONVENING OF SPECIAL SESSION. OTAIBA EXPRESSED NO OPINION ON
SUBSTANCE OF ISSUE BUT DID NOT SEEM AS CONCERNED AS ATIQUI SEEMS
TO BE. OTAIBA MERELY COMMENTED THAT DOLLAR EXCHANGE RATE HAD IMPROVED
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